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—Samuel Gompers.

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KNIGHT CHALLENGED ON UNEMPLOYMENT

REPORT —TO OUR READERS-OWNERS

Lying-by-Suppression

Last week's issue of East Bay Labor Journal published an editorial commenting on the way the Oakland Tribune is suppressing the fact that the rise of county relief expenses is due to the rise in unemployment. Let's go into this a bit, and show how the Trib has been caught dead to rights in a deliberate act of lying-by-suppression.

In its Tuesday May 18 issue the Tribune published at the bottom of a column a story with this headline, "County Digs Up Reserve Cash for Poor." The story told of the transfer of $250,000 from the county emergency reserve fund to meet increased rellief burdens. There was no reference whatever in that Tribune story to the fact that it is unemployment which has increased the relief burden. There were references to "the poor" and to "the indigent" and to "the needy" but no reference to the jobless.

The next morning, Wednesday May 19, the S. F. Chronicle published a story on the same subject with this headline: "Problem Grow Worse: Emergency Funds for Alameda Jobless Relief." The Chronicle story throughout related the rise in relief burden to the rise in unemployment, and in its final paragraph, referring to County Welfare Director Samuel Thompson, said:

"Thompson gloomily predicted the relief figures will continue to climb during the next six weeks as workers who lost their jobs last fall exhaust their unemployment benefits and begin to need county aid."

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One Source, Two Versions

Here is what makes the contrast between the Tribune's story and the Chronicle's story so significant: the Chronicle has access to the Tribune's news through an arrangement by which the two papers swap services. A Chronicle man is actually located at the Tribune office, and has the right to look through the material that is brought in by Tribune reporters. This is a legitimate and sensible arrangement widely in vogue in the trade. For example, the New York Times has a man stationed in the Chronicle office who has access to the news the Chronicle reporters bring in.

What this boils down to is that the Tribune and the Chronicle, having access to exactly the same material, made entirely different stories out of that material.

The Tribune story was in a thin devitalized atmosphere, remote from economic and social fact, a story about "the poor, the indigent, the needy." Strange bloodless beggars these, miserable dehumanized pauper to whom a kindly Board of Supervisors must toss bones and odd helpments!

But the Chronicle story told about real human beings, you and me out of a job, the people who do the work of this world, denied since last fall the chance to work.

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Trib's Lie Helps Nobody

The Chronicle publishes the same kind of stupid editorials the Tribune does, sneering at us labor people for calling attention to unemployment. But at least in this instance it set forth the facts in its news columns.

We're all hoping that there will be no big depression. But lying-by-suppression as practiced by the Trib in this story about "the poor, the needy, the indigent" helps no one, not the unemployed, not the business community, not the paper's favorite GOP Administration—and certainly not the Trib's already battered reputation for integrity.

Teamos 70 Draymen Sign Pay Hike Pact

Some 3000 employes of the Alameda County Draymen's Association and the Truck Owners Association of California will shortly start receiving a 50 cents a day across-the-board pay boost as a result of an agreement signed May 21 between Teamsters 70 and the employers' groups.

In addition to the wage increase, which goes into effect on June 9, the contracts provides for an increase in the employer-contributed Union Health and Welfare Plan from the present $9.50 to $10.40 per month per member.

W. J. Conboy, Teamster International Representative, conducted the negotiations for Local 70.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

The following unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 3 of this issue of the Journal.

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Frank Dunn, Labor's Choice, In Strong Fight for Supervisor

By PAUL LIPPMAN

Modesty in a man is rightly regarded as a virtue—unless of course that man happens to be a candidate for public office. Any candidate who deliberately shuns publicity is asking for a one-way ticket to political oblivion.

All candidates realize this fact and none more so than experienced Assemblyman Francis Dunn Jr., who is now in the running for the office of Supervisor in the Second Supervisorial District.

Sometimes, however, a people's candidate, like Dunn, has no choice in the matter as to whether he is going to conduct a modest or lavish publicity campaign. Publicity costs money, lots of it, and Dunn is far from being loaded. His chief opponent apparently does have big money support judging from the number of expensive billboards available to him for publicity purposes.

Dunn's modest campaign funds, now as in the past, come from the pockets of the workingman, the small businessman, the average man and woman in the community. These are the constituents that Dunn has faithfully represented in the State Assembly for the past 11 years.

To counteract the district-wide billboard campaign of his well-heeled opponent, Dunn and his supporters have been whooping it up on a more modest scale with the limited campaign fund at their disposal. Dunn's method of publicizing his candidacy is to do a whale of a lot of leg work meeting with and talking to hundreds of people every day. He and his supporters are also dousing the area with a rain of inexpensive leaflets and placards boosting Dunn for Supervisor.

FAVORABLE RECORD

Dunn, a former delegate to both the Building Trades and Central Labor Councils who holds a card in AFL Painters Local 127, has won the complete endorsement of the Alameda County Voters League, AFL, for his "overwhelmingly favorable record."

What is that record?

First, he has been a leader in educational legislation. He was first to sponsor a bill for State aid for school construction which resulted in the appropriation of about $490,000,000 for this purpose. In addition, Dunn has long been an ardent advocate of the use of modern techniques in teaching and for better pay and improved working conditions for teachers.

Secondly, he is one of the original sponsors of the successful State Child Care Center program and a staunch supporter of old age pensions and aid to needy children.

In 1945 when the Hayward Area Recreation District faced the summer vacation season without funds, Dunn was instrumental in getting the State legislature to pass a bill permitting the recreation district to continue. This action, Dunn declares, served the dual purpose of helping to ease the minds of worried working mothers and preventing juvenile delinquency.

NEW HOSPITAL

Also in the field of social legislation, Dunn successfully sponsored a bill repealing a law prohibting hospital districts in Alameda County. One result of Dunn's bill has been the construction of the $5,500,000 Eden Township Hospital for which the district taxpayers will pay less than $3,000,000, the balance of the cost being State and Federal grants.

And thirdly, the fact that organized labor has consistently supported him indicates that his batting average on labor legislation has been very high.

NO RUBBER STAMP

Though Dunn has been one of labor's outstanding champions in the State legislature, he has not hesitated to disagree and vote against organized labor's viewpoint in particular instances.

Dunn recalls one such instance in 1947 when he introduced a bill at the request of the Retail Liquor Store Dealers who felt that for the benefit of their industry and the public welfare it was advisable to prohibit the sale of bottled liquors after 8 p.m.

The bill, which subsequently failed to pass the Assembly, was opposed at the time by the Retail Liquor Clerks Union and by brewery and distillery interests.

On another occasion, in 1950 when Governor Warren stated that any proposal to increase aid for public schools should contain a revenue producing feature, Dunn proposed a tax on tobacco despite labor's traditional opposition to a sales tax.

Dunn has also refused to go along with local labor's support for a parallel bridge across the San Francisco Bay.

Dunn, an ardent supporter of a second crossing having its terminus south of the present crossing told East Bay Labor Journal that it was generally agreed now that the bridges should be separated "especially in view of the development of Alameda County and the threat of H-bomb warfare."

So much for his record in the State Assembly.

DUNN'S PROGRAM

What about his program for Supervisor if he is elected on June 8?

Dunn's goal as Supervisor is to

1. expand private industry and attract new industry.

2. "draw up a master plan for the orderly development of Alameda County" as regards zoning, air and water pollution, public transportation, location of future State and County highways, flood control and water supply,

3. "immediate improvement of the present deplorable transportation system" and

4."full value for every tax dollar spent."

Welfare Councils Confer on Jobless

An exploratory conference on unemployment and its effect on public and private community welfare services was held in the San Leandro City Hall last Friday by a planning committee composed of representatives of five Alameda County welfare councils. Attending the conference as invited guests were several local AFL and CIO representatives.

It was generally agreed by all those attending the conference that the local unemployment situation was getting serious and that "something should be done" to forestall an expected increase of claims on the already hard-pressed welfare agencies.

As a result of the 2-hour conference, the five welfare councils agreed to jointly sponsor an areawide "Citizens Conference on Social Welfare Implications of Unemployment" to which will be invited public officials, labor leaders, and representatives of citizens' groups comprising a cross-section of the community.

Sponsoring the uemployment conference are the Alameda Social Service Board, Berkeley Council of Social Agencies, Council of Southern Alameda County Communities, Oakland Community Welfare Council, and the San Leandro Welfare Council.

Robert H. Kroninger, planning committee chairman, set another meeting to go deeper into the problem for Friday, June 4, at 12:15 p.m. in the San Leandro City Hall.

Among the labor representatives at the conference last Friday were Les Moore, business representative of Auto and Ship Painters 1176; Charles Garoni, financial secretary of Linoleum Layers 1290; and Van Dempsey, secretary-treasurer of the Greater Alameda County CIO Industrial Union Council.

Moore attended the conference in place of Robert S. Ash, secretary of the Central Labor Council; Garoni on behalf of J. L. Childers, business representative of the Building Trades Council.

Truck Service for Mail Haul Urged

The Central Labor Council has concurred in a resolution adopted by Teamsters 70 calling for increased use of trucking service to carry U. S. mails "in the name of economy, efficiency and sound business practice."

Teamsters 70 Secretary-Treasurer Frank A. DeMartini asserted that a great deal of the Postoffice Department's $663 millions deficit could be wiped out "if trucks were used to haul mail in situations where they can do the job more efficiently and cheaply than the railroads." This especially applies, he said, to runs of less than 300 miles.

Joe W. Chaudet, Typographical 36, drawing on his recent experience as Acting Postmaster of Oakland, told the Labor Council that Congressman Goerge P. Miller has introduced a bill calling for the requiring of payment of the prevailing wage by trucking contractors who may haul the mail, so that non-union outfits coudn't move in and break down teaming standards.

Labor Is Backing Police, Fire Moves

The Central Labor Council has adopted a resolution supporting the policemen and firemen of Oakland in their request for a wage adjustment and a health and welfare plan.

E. F. McNamara, Fire Fighters 55, said that the Oakland City Council had agreed to pay a wage equal to the mean average of the highest two cities in the State, San Francisco and Los Angeles, but that while this wage had been granted some time ago to the promoted firemen and policemen, the patrolmen and hosemen had not yet received it.

Under the proposed health and welfare plan the city would pay half the cost, the policemen and firemen the other half.

Miller Asks Work For Jobless Here

800 Dine at Apprentices' Ceremonial

The Greater East Bay labor movement became richer this week by 234 journeymen following the 7th Annual Apprenticeship Completion Ceremonies held Tuesday evening at the Claremont Hotel in Berkeley.

Sponsoring the ceremonies, which included a dinner and professional entertainment, were the combined Labor and Management Joint Apprenticeship Committees of the East Bay.

It was a gala event for the completing apprentices, all of whom had completed up to five years of study and on-the-job training in their respective crafts.

Among the crafts represented were bakers, boatbuilders, butchers, carpenters, cement finishers, cleaners, electricians, engineers, floor layers, lathers, machinists auto mechanics, plasterers, plumbers, printers, painters, roofers, shoe repairers, steamfitters, steel workers, upholsterers, and radio and television repairmen.

An overflow crowd of about 800 people, including a large sprinkling of labor and management representatives and public officials, jammed the hotel's Salem Room to watch the student apprentices win their journeymen spurs.

The affair was highlighted by a stirring congratulatory talk delivered by Archie J. Mooney, chief of the State Division of Apprenticeship Standards. Mooney is scheduled to retire from his post shortly.

B. R. Tooke, business representative of Sign Painters 878, was general chairman and master of ceremonies during the program.

Labor, Contractors In Building Work Meet for Crusade

Men who have learned to work together efficiently and cooperatively in building homes and highways must continue to work together to build and support the community's welfare programs, Gardiner Johnson, general counselor, Associated General Contractors of America, declared last week.

Johnson addressed management and union labor representatives of the construction industry who met for dinner at the Athens Athletic Club to discuss a cooperative approach to support for the East Bay United Crusade.

Sixty construction industry people attended the meeting of the Crusade's Building and Construction Trades Division which was sponsored by local construction industry supply houses.

Chairmanship of the meeting was shared by George C. Loorz, president, Stolte, Inc., and J. Lamar Childers, business representative of the Building and Construction Trades Council of Alameda County. Frank J. Cayting is vice-chairman of the Crusade construction division.

Oakland Mayor Clifford E. Rishell expressed appreciation to the industry representatives for their participation in the early phases of organization for the United Crusade which he described as "one of the most valuable undertakings in our community."

Childers said the efforts of the construction industry to give full support to the Crusade is "a cooperative venture between labor and management to give the people of the East Bay a better community."

"Labor is taking its place along with the rest of the citizens in endorsing the objectives of the United Crusade agencies and causes," he declared.

Others who spoke briefly at the meeting were Robert S. Ash, secretary, Alameda County Central Labor Council, M. J. (Jack) Kramer, chairman, Crusade Commerce and Industry Department of which the construction division is a unit, Elvyn C. Evers, chairman, Commerce and Industry Department advisory committee, and Norris Nash, president, East Bay United Crusade.

Western Union May Be Struck Again

Larry Ross, Commercial Telegraphers 208, has asked the Central Labor Council for strike sanction against Western Union, the CTU having voted nationally to strike if necessary. In 1952 there was a 53-day strike of the union against the company.

At that time a 40-hour week with the current 48-hour pay was asked, but won for only half the workers. The company, Ross said, wishes to defer boosting the other half until 1957.

CANDIDATES ENDORSED BY VOTERS LEAGUE-AFL FOR JUNE 8TH PRIMARY

Following are the candidates for the June 8 primary election endorsed by the Alameda County Voters League-AFL:

State Offices

Governor—RICHARD GRAVES
Lt. Governor—EDWARD ROYBAL
Secretary of State—NO RECOMMENDATION
State Treasurer—GEORGE E. JOHNSON
Controller—GEORGE D. COLLINS JR.
Attorney General—EDMUND G. BROWN
Superintendent of Public Instruction—ROY E. SIMPSON
State Board of Equalization—JAMES H. QUINN

Congress

U. S. Senator—SAMUEL YORTY
7th Congressional District—STANLEY CROOK
8th Congressional District—GEORGE P. MILLER

Legislature

State Senate—16th District—ANGA BJORNSON
13th Assembly District—CARLOS BEE
14th District—RANDAL F. DICKEY
15th District—ROBERT B. RIVER
16th District—SAMUEL BLANFORD
17th District—WM. BYRON RUMFORD
18th District—WINTON McKIBBEN

County Offices

Supervisor, Second District—FRANCIS DUNN JR.
Supervisor, Third District—LELAND W. SWEENEY
County Recorder—THOMAS W. FITZSIMMONS
County Superintendent of Schools—Dr. VAUGHN SEIDEL
District Attorney—JAMES FRANCIS COAKLEY
Coroner—BERNARD D. BUNGARZ
Tax Collector—EDWIN MEESE JR.
Sheriff—H. P. GLEASON
Treasurer—NO ENDORSEMENT
Surveyor—WALLACE B. BOGGS
Auditor—EUGENE WARING
County Clerk—JACK G. BLUE
Assessor—RUSSELL C. HORSTMANN
Judge, Municipal Court—FREDERICK DUBOVSKY

Be Careful When You Make 'U' Turn

(This is the ninth in a series of weekly articles on traffic safety prepared by the Traffic Education Bureau of the Oakland Police Department. East Bay Labor Journal in presenting the series as a public service.)

Do you believe that "U" turns are permissible any time? Captain W. W. Vernon, Commanding Officer of the Traffic Division, Oakland Police Department, calls attention to the fact that in Oakland during the month of March 1954, 158 accidents were investigated involving improper turning movements.

He further states that "U" turn should be made from the lane nearest the center of the roadway, if possible. However, if due to the width of the street the turn cannot be accomplished in this manner and the driver must make a wide arc to complete the "U" turn, the responsibility of the turning movement rests on him.

A good driver bears this thought in mind. If his car conflicts with traffic, or becomes involved in an accident, in most cases he is the one at fault.

The California Vehicle Code stipulates that in a business district a "U" turn can **only** be made at an intersection, never in the middle of the block. In a residential district, however, a "U" turn **may** be made mid-block, provided there are no cars approaching in either direction within 200 feet. But on a curve, or the approach to one, or near the crest of a grade where approaching vehicles cannot be seen for 200 feet, the "U" turn **cannot** be legally made.

Remember! At best, a "U" turn is hazardous. Therefore, exercise good judgment in making this maneuver.

Paper Box Plants' Negotiation Tense

John Ferro, Printing Specialties 382, has asked the Central Labor Council for strike sanction against 8 paper box factories in East Bay. A sister local in San Francisco is dealing with 12 such factories across the bay.

The East Bay factories are represented by United Employers.

Correspondents Send In Early!

Material for next week's paper, the issue of June 4, should get in much earlier than usual, as the Memorial Day holiday cuts down East Bay Labor Journal's work week.

Political Notes; Many Candidates Issue Statements

SAM YORTY, the Congressman backed by the Democrats and the AFL to win a seat in the U. S. Senate, will speak on the "Ground Observer Corps and Civil Defense", Saturday (May 29) afternoon at the Hayward Airport, during the Hayward Farm-Home and Industry Show. A reception arranged by Air Force and local officials will follow.

FRANCIS DUNN JR., candidate for Supervisor in the 2nd District, told a group of voters that "the County Planning Commission should be given the fullest possible support of the Board of Supervisors. Major representation on the commission should be given to that area in the county where their planning authority exists."

STANLEY CROOK, Democratic candidate for Congress in the 7th District, has returned to the political arena after serving a short reserve tour in the U. S. Navy. Crook, a member of the Navy Ready Reserve, worked on economic mobilization problems at Treasure Island. Crook is campaigning in Albany, Berkeley, and Oakland on a platform of expanding job and business opportunities. He has been endorsed by the AFL Voters League.

ANGA BJORNSON, candidate for State Senate in Alameda County, has been endorsed by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. G. C. Mitchell, chairman and legislative representative, stated to Miss Bjornson, "We feel that in awarding you this endorsement, your geenral knowledge of the problems of your district, plus your attitude on the welfare of the people you represent, well qualifies you for this position."

PROPOSITION B and C, the emergency school bond issues on the June 8 ballot, are receiving the backing of one of the most unified campaigns ever waged in Oakland. Business, labor, and many other groups are represented. Among the well known AFL people on various committees of the campaign are Robert S. Ash, J. L. Childers, Leslie K. Moore.

SAM W. BLANFORD, candidate for the Assembly in the 16th District, is enthusiastically backed for election in the June 8 primary by Mrs. Lorey Freeborn, chairman of the Montclarions in his campaign.

CHARLES W. FISHER, candidate for retention in office as Municipal Judge, has been endorsed by Ed M. Ross, president of Oak-

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Congressman Appalled by Big Shutdown

Labor, the famous weekly paper issued by railroad unions, published in a recent issue a picture of Congressman George P. Miller under the heading "Kind of Man to Elect to Congress."

Labor calls Miller "an outstanding progressive Democratic, with a 100 percent record . . . a member of the highly important Armed Services Committee and worked tirelessly to secure a fair deal for postoffice and other civil service employees . . . Before coming to Congress served two terms in the California Legislature from the 14th Assembly District, the one from which Senator Knowland, Republican floor leader and ultra-conservative, was first elected to public office . . . By contrast, Knowland, born with a silver spoon in his mouth, has voted wrong virtually all the way."

On May 17 Miller lived up to the reputation the famous railroad labor paper gives him by writing urgent letters to Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson and Defense Mobilizer Arthur S. Flemming, calling attention to the unemployment situation in southern Alameda county.

Following is the letter Congressman Miller sent on May 17 to Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson:

My dear Mr. Secretary:

The Chrysler Corporation has recently announced that it will terminate operations at its San Leandro Dodge plant. This plant is engaged in defense work which accounts for about 10% of its activity; this will be continued until the present contracts run out.

Would it be possible to re-examine the procurement policy of the Department of Defense to see whether or not certain work can be channeled into this plant?

The San Leandro Dodge plant, opened in 1948, has over 1,000,000 square feet of floor space. It is one of the most modern automobile plants on the West Coast. It is located in the San Francisco Bay Area where, in the event of an emergency, its potentials would make a great contribution to national defense.

There are over 2,000 people employed in the plant and its ancillary operations. The dissipation of this valuable pool of skilled mechanics would be highly detrimental to the national interest.

There is another pertinent reason why this plant should be allotted war work. The labor market for skilled workers is extremely fluid on the West Coast. May I quote from a recent release of the Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Labor Statistics and Research, State of California, No. LS-267, May 14, 1954:

"CALIFORNIA — MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT

Employment in California manufacturing plants of 1,019,100 wage and salary workers in April was about the same as in March, Paul Scharrenberg, California Director of Industrial Relations, announced today.

This was the first time since 1948 that factory employment failed to increase appreciably between March and April."

I know that it is not the function of the Department of Defense to concern itself with the economy of the several sections of the country, but you have, on the other hand, expressed the thought that this country must be kept in a sound economic position. I agree with this thesis.

Here we are confronted with the dismantling of a plant that has a great national defense potential, and we have a deteriorating work load in the area in which it is located, resulting in unemployment.

Are not these two factors of sufficient importance to re-examine the procurement policy of the Department of Defense?

Sincerely,
GEORGE P. MILLER

Teamo Truck Check Set For June 6-11

Teamsters Local 70 business office is helping to publicize the 1954 Teamsters' Safety Truck Check with little attractive stickers pasted on the face of all envelopes mailed from its headquarters.

The rectangular-shaped stickers, announce the fact that the truck check gets under way on midnight June 6 and will continue to June 11.

Labor Council Retired Officers, Attention!

An enterprising realty firm has written Secretary Robert S. Ash in an effort to sell a $100,000 piece of land near Pleasanton.

The sales letter suggested that the land would make a beautiful site for a "home for retired officers" of the Labor Council!

Relief Crisis Here Urgent, Ash Declares

Robert S. Ash, secretary of the Alameda County Central Labor Council, has called upon Governor Goodwin J. Knight to do something about the critical unemployment situation in California.

Pointing to the national action of the American Federation of Labor, he noted that the Alameda County Board of Supervisors had to appropriate $250,000 from a special emergency reserve fund to replenish its general relief fund, exhausted by sharp increases in relief rolls this year. Already $1,247,638 in relief funds has been used up.

Ash asked that a conference be called immediately to do something about the unemployment problem created by the Republican administration in California.

Ash and George Hardy of the Building Service Employees are co-chairmen with Wendell Phillips of the AFL Committee for Graves for Governor.

Phillips, Hardy, Ash, and other leaders of the AFL Committee for Graves have contended that Knight throughout his campaign for election as Governor has shown no real grasp of the unemployment situation.

More endorsements for Graves are coming in from unions to the AFL Committee for Graves. Some recent endorsements include locals from the Lumber & Sawmill Workers, Shipyard Laborers, Carpenters, Machinists, Retail Clerks, Painters, Building Service.

Atty. Genl. Brown Says Workers Can Take Off 2 Paid Hours to Vote

State law requiring employers to allow time for employes to vote in the June 8 primary elections, unless workers have sufficient time to vote before or after their work day was cited recently by Attorney General Edmund G. Brown.

The law requires that employers post notices prior to May 29, informing employes of their voting time rights, Brown said.

According to the attorney general, employes must give employers two working days' notice if they want time off for voting.

Brown said the law provides that four consecutive hours, during which the polls are open before or after a worker's shift, are sufficient for the employe to vote on his own time, with no working time off.

Otherwise, Brown continued, the employe may take off to a total of two working hours, with pay, either at the beginning or the end of the work day.

Motor Car Dealers Try to Cut Scale

Al Silva, Auto Salesmen 1095, has informed the Central Labor Council that it may be necessary for his union to strike the Alameda County Motor Dealers Association, which has 54 members.

The union, said Silva, is simply trying to hold the rates and conditions it already had established by contract, but the dealers are trying to cut the rates the men receive by 30 percent and get them to work Sundays as well as six days a week and one night a week as they now do.

Joe Seaone In Report On Unemployment Meet

Joe Seaone, Chemical Workers 62, made a report to the Central Labor Council on the unemployment conference of the State Federation of Labor, held in Santa Barbara April 25-30. Seaone and T. C. Nitzsche, Upholsterers 3, were the CLC delegates at the conference.

Seaone quoted some figures cited by one of the speakers at the conference, showing the smaller percentages of people now feeling ready to buy houses, automobiles, appliances, and clothing, as compare to the number of such persons in 1953.

No CLC Meeting Until June 14th

Central Labor Council meetings are canceled until Monday, June 14.

The meeting which would have fallen on May 31 has been canceled due to that being Memorial Day; the one which would have fallen on June 7 has been canceled as that is the day before the June 8 primary election, and there will be many campaign activities on that date.

The decision to cancel the meetings was reached at the CLC sessoin Monday. The executive committee was granted full power to act during the two week interval.

Unemployment

Tribune 'Braying' At the Unemployed

Oakland Tribune continues its campaign against the unemployed and against anyone or any group calling attention to unemployment.

In its Sunday issue the Knowland paper ran a cartoon in which the Democratic donkey is shown calling attention to unemployment, and the Republican elephant commenting, "Why, That's Just a Drop in the Bucket."

The caption over the cartoon is: "It's Nothing to Bray About."

In other words, the Knowland paper is delicately hinting that anyone who calls attention to unemployment, or who, presumably, is himself unemployed, is just a jackass.

Teamsters Report From Washington says in its May issue that last July, when Teamsters Report was launched, it stated: "This clique (of business advisors to Ike) favors doubling the number of unemployed—now 1.3 million—to create a labor pool and a buyers market . . . That comment was made at the very peak of this country's prosperity . . . We stuck by our guns, and are sorry to report that in the year since that peak prosperity period, unemployment almost mysteriously increased well beyond the 1.3 million figure to more than 4 million, and the work week for those still employed in manufacturing dropped from 41.9 hours to 39.4."

In Alameda county the number of persons on relief declined 66 from April 1 to May 18; but the number of cases, that is, of families whether consisting on one or any number of persons, increased by 70.

EDWARD FRAY, a member of Printing Pressmen 125 who was employed as foreman at Moore Business Forms, passed away here recently. Brother Fray was one of the original group which helped make his plant a union shop.

HENRY J. O'TOOL, a member of Butchers 120, passed away here on May 17.

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AP Story Cited By Journal Mistaken, Ritchie Man Shows

Editor, Labor Journal:

The Friday, May 14th, edition of the East Bay Labor Journal carried an article under the heading "Did the Truth Get Bent or Busted in The Ritchie Case?". The sixth paragraph of this article reads as follows: "Supporters of Congressman Miller—including all labor groups in his district—wondered which was the correct reason for delaving the hearing: Did Ritchie ask for more time to think up answers to the charge of false and misleading advertising, or did the Federal Trade Commission need more time to back the charges which it made after an investigation covering many months?".

The enclosed copies of correspondence between this office and the Federal Trade Commission as well as press releases and statements will most certainly clarify this point. We particularly bring your attention to the FTC press release of May 3rd as well as their letter of May 11th to this office in which it is clearly stated that the postponement of the hearings on Battery AD-X2 before the Federal Trade Commission was ordered over our vigorous protests by the Hearing Examiner at the request of the Federal Trade Commission attorney supporting the complaint.

Pioneers Incorporated is a small manufacturing business marketing its product through independent distributors located in various places throughout the United States. Our business as well as our distributors' business has suffered badly due to Washington bureaucracy and monopolistic pressures as well as biased and incorrect press statements.

As previously stated, we objected strenuously to any postponement of the hearings on AD-X2 before the Federal Trade Commission and did everything possible to force the hearings to start on the May 10th date. Any political implications that may have resulted from this postponement stem from sources outside of this organization and are simply not based on the facts in the case.

Needless to say, we think the headline quoted above and the sixth paragraph quoted above are highly unfair and unjustified and we therefore request you to publish the truth of the matter and make it clear to the readers of your paper that the postponement of the FTC hearings on AD-X2 was ordered by the Federal Trade Commission because the FTC lawyer supporting the complaint did not have his case prepared. Such a requests seems only fair as the implications in the May 14th article are very damaging to a small business which has been fighting to be allowed to do business in a normal manner.

Very truly yours,
PIONEERS INCORPORATED
W. M. Hager
Executive Vice President

Editor's Note: As reported in our original item in our issue of May 14, Associated Press dispatch to the Chronicle said that the Federal Trade Commission's announcement "said Ritchie, of Oakland, Calif., asked for the postponement in order to have more time to prepare his answer to the commission's charges that advertising of his battery additive is false and misleading." Mr. Hager has supplied East Bay Labor Journal with a copy of a letter from the Federal Trade Commission showing that the Associated Press dispatch was in error.

Tell 'em you saw it in East Bay Labor Journal.



Hayward Painters 1178

Immediately following the regular meeting of this local on Friday June 4, there will be a Special Called Meeting to nominate officers to stand for election at the last meeting in June.

Fraternally yours,,
ROBERT G. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

Building Service Employes 18

Regular meeting May 28 will commence at 7:15 p.m., and the showing of the famous film "The Roosevelt Story" will begin at 7:45 p.m.

Members are urged to attend. They will find "The Roosevelt Story" not only informative but exciting.

Fraternally,
W. DOUGLAS GELDERT,
Secretary-Treasurer

Sheet Metal Workers 216

Members of this Local are hereby informed that the business office will be closed for three days starting a week from Saturday, May 29 through Monday, May 31.

Fraternally,
LLOYD CHILD,
Business Representative

Plasterers 112

This Local will hold a special called meeting on Saturday, June 12, at 10 a.m. in Hall C of the AFL Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland. Purpose of the meeting is to act on a recommendation of the Executive Board requiring our members to be hired only through the union hall.

Any other business that may come up at this meeting will also be acted upon.

Fraternally,
GEORGE WHITTON,
Financial Secretary

UC Employees 371

This Local will hold its regular meeting on Saturday evening, June 12, 1954 at the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland. There is some very important business to be brought up at this meeting.

Also Brother Homer Stevens of Local 257 will give his report of the International Convention.

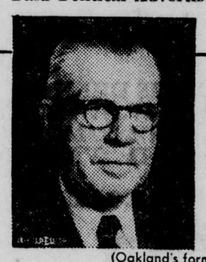
All of these matters of business are of great importance to every member.

Fraternally yours,
WALTER RENYER,
Secretary-Treasurer.

KATHRYN M. WARDRIP, a member of Department and Specialty Store Employes 1265, passed away in Castro Valley on May 12 leaving two sons, Gerald H. and William; two daughters, Mrs. Edythe Parscale and Mrs. Ethel Ameral; a brother, Horace G. Wentworth; and 12 grandchildren.

ALFRED G. BOWEN, a retired member of Typographical 36, died following an accidental fall at his home here on May 6 at age 78. Survivors include his daughter, Mrs. Florence P. Ferretti of Oakland, a brother, Frank in Portland, and two grandchildren.

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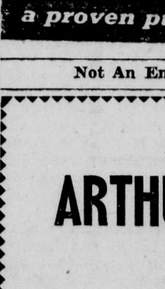
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Political Notes: More Statements Issued as Voting Time Draws Near

(Continued from Page 1)

land Federation of Teachers. Ross praises Fisher's record on the Oakland Board of Education.

WINTON McKIBBEN, candidate for Assemblyman from the 18th District, has been endorsed by Jack Kent, member of the Berkeley City Planning Commission. Kent praises the candidate's stand on the transit issue and smog control.

LELAND W. SWEENEY, Mayor of Alameda, candidate for Supervisor in the 3d District, announces that he plans to retire from his present office, if elected, and devote his entire attention and time to the Supervisor's post. Sweeney has been endorsed by the AFL Voters League.

DEMOCRATIC CARAVAN will assemble at Jack London Square at 5:30 p.m. June 7, the night before the primary election, and will pick up additional cars at 22nd street and Telegraph avenue. There will be music, and handsome models distributing campaign literature, says Howard Symonds, publicity chairman, 16th Assembly District.

RUSSELL C. HORSTMANN is getting mounting support for re-election as County Assessor at the June 8 primary reports Edgar L. Buttner, general campaign chairman. Said Buttner: "The people of Alameda county were demanding improvement in the Assessor's Office in 1950 when they first elected Russ Horstmann with 166,965 votes..

"Horstmann's improvement in and streamlining of the office—just what the people sought—was absolutely necessary in our fast-growing area which now has the second largest workload in the State. And increased efficiency in operations under Horstmann now returns to the county $638,947 in taxes per year through business assessments which formerly 'escaped'."

BOB RIVER, candidate for the Assembly from the 15th District, announced that he has received the official endorsement of the Original Non-Partisan Boosters Club of Alameda County. Mrs. Beulah Ray White, President of the club, sent the formal notice.

Wool Wage Raised

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Labor James Mitchell, over industry objections, ordered a 15-cent increase, to $1.20 an hour, in the minimum wage required for work on Government contracts in the woolen and worsted industry.

Mitchell ordered the $1.20 rate into effect May 7 under terms of the Walsh-Healey Act.

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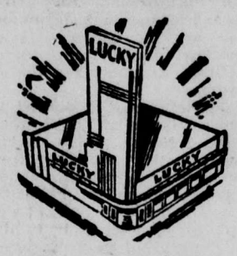
W. P. Cavanaugh's Wife Passes Away Suddenly

Dorothy J. Cavanaugh, wife of Walter P. Cavanaugh of Painters Local 127, passed away here suddenly last Friday just one month before she was to have celebrated her 47th wedding anniversary. Funeral services for Mrs. Cavanaugh was held at the Chapel of the Oakland on Monday, May 24.

Brother Cavanaugh, a well-known and respected figure in the local AFL movement, has held continuous membership in Local 127 for the past 50 years.

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Theater Workers Get Vacation Data

By JOE CONNELLY

With summer almost upon us it seems appropriate that we review the vacation section of the agreement currently in effect between the the union and the various motion picture houses.

Actually whether it be summer, winter, autumn or spring has no great bearing on the eligibility of an employee for his vacation.

We mention this because from time to time various managers claim they can grant vacation only during certain months of the year. This is not true as the following excerpt from the contract proves:

"All employees who have been in the service of the Employer continuously for one (1) year shall be granted a minimum of one (1) week's vacation with full pay annually. All employees who have been in the service of the Employer continuously for two (2) years shall be granted a minimum of two (2) weeks' vacation with full pay annually. All vacations shall be computed on straight time only. Employees employed on a part-time basis of less than forty (40) hours per week shall receive the equivalent of 2% of the preceding year's salary for each week's vacation to which they are enttitled. Pro-rata vacation pay is to be allowed only in case of theaters changing owners. **Vacation periods shall start as soon as feasible after the employee's annual anniversary of employment and must be continuous.** Any employee entitled to a vacation when severing employment shall receive his vacation pay at the time of severance, providing proper notice has been given."

The foregoing states the verbatim language pertaining to the vacation agreement as contained in your contract. If you feel any manager is not living up to it, please advise the business office and we will take whatever remedial steps are necessary to see that he discharges his obligation to the employee.

Due to the observance of Memorial Day, the business office will be closed next Monday, May 31, 1954.

AFL SUGAR REFINERY Employees 20037 have voted 679 to 170 to accept the new contract offer of the C. & H. Sugar Corporation at Crockett. Contract incudes 6-cent hourly wage boost, expanded vacations, extra paid holiday.

ROBERT LINN, a member of Structural Shopmen 491, received an honorable discharge from the U. S. Army on May 4 after serving a 2-year hitch and is now back at his former job at Moore Drydock.

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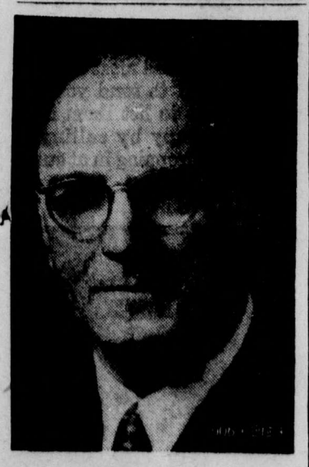


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Printers Auxiliary 26 Plan Meeting June 3

By Muriel Pfaffenberger
Press Correspondent
Printers Auxiliary 26

To those who were not out to the May 6 meeting at Mary Farley's, they really missed a lovely party.

Our next meeting is to be June 3, 10:30 at President Evelyn Wolter's home, 1751 - 159th Avenue San Leandro. We expect to elect our delegate Lavan Razzell, and alternate delegate. Katherine Allen, who were nominated at the last meeting.

Remember to boost the Union Label.

Retired Members Aided By AFL Roller Makers

The San Francisco and East Bay Ink and Roller Makers Union at its regular meeting in February unanimously adopted a resolution assessing each member the sum of $1 to be paid to any member retiring from the industry who has had 15 years of continuous membership and who has reached the age of 60 years.

The first member to benefit from this resolution is Brother Electrious Baker who was employed in the plant of California Ink Company in Berkeley.

GEORGE BAKKY, a member of Linoleum Layers 1290 since 1936, passed away on Friday, May 21.

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AFL Temple Auxiliary To Meet on June 1

By BESS HUNT
Press Correspondent

The June meeting of the Labor Temple Women's Auxiliary will find the newly elected officers taking over the duties of the Auxiliary. The meeting will fall on June 1. Let's all turn out to greet our new President Marge O'Donnell and the rest of the officers.

The installation of officers was held at Milani's on the 15th of May.

Much thanks goes to the new president, Marge O'Donnell, and to Jim O'Donnell (Marge's husband) for arranging this affair. Also many thanks to the manager of Milani's who made every effort to see that the dinner was a success.

Sewing Club will meet the 2nd of June and again on the 16th, which will be our last day till after summer.

Elma Stone has been ill for several weeks with a bad back and leg; but we do hope to see her present at Pearl Scott's home for Past Presidents on Wednesday.

Let's not forget to vote on election day.

Next article for the paper will be written by your new recording secretary, Emma Vice, so don't forget to tell her the news.

HENRY MONEZ, O. C. JOHNSON, TIM HURLEY AND F. B. McEVERS, all members of Key System Carmen 192, were retired on pension this month after serving their company and the public for 27 to 37 years.

WATCH IT WITH WATCHMAKERS

Bay Area Jewelry Strike Slows AFL Watchmakers 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

Needless to say that due to the activity prevailing within the jewelry industry during this past week, our time has been completely taken up with this situation. Until the Jewelry Workers' strike by Local 36 is resolved, we shall no doubt be unable to take care of the matters which have come to our attention.

FUTURE WATCHMAKER

This time congratulations are in order for Sergio and Mrs. Rosario. Sergio is the watchmaker employed by Crescent Jewelers in the Mission. He called the office this morning and proudly announced that he is now the proud papa of a 6 lb. 13 oz. baby boy whom they have named Richard. Baby Rosario was born on May 11 at the Kaiser Foundation Geary Street Hospital.

Good luck to you and your family Sergio—from all of us.

SAN JOSE MEETING NOTICE: The next membership meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 1st, at 8 p.m.—Labor Temple, 45 Santa Teresa Street, San Jose.

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Alameda County is one of ten school systems cited as *excellent* in the *Saturday Evening Post*, March 13, 1954 (page 166). The high rating was given in a nation-wide study of 500 school systems by Dr. Emmett A. Betts, national authority on the teaching of reading.

Dr. Hollis L. Caswell, President-elect, Teachers College, Columbia University, devoted a full chapter to Alameda County in his latest book, *Curriculum Improvement in Public School Systems.*

The School Districts of Alameda County have praised the leadership and the services of the County Superintendent of Schools. (*Services Evaluation Study*, February, 1954.)

For County Superintendent of Schools . . .
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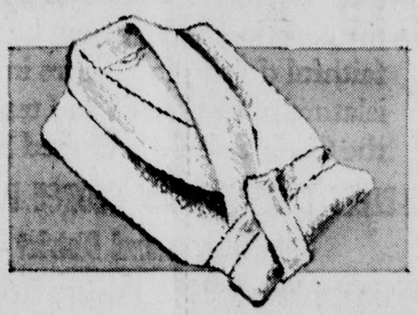
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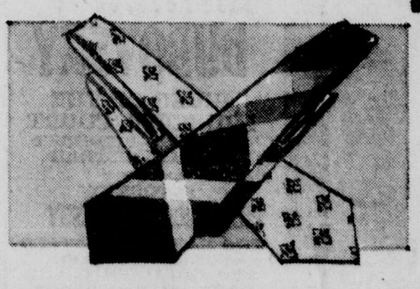
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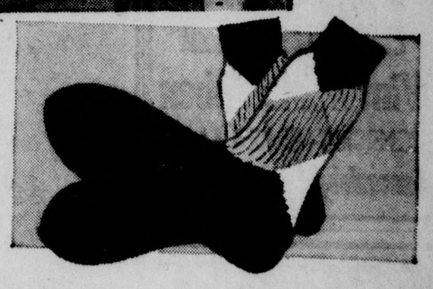
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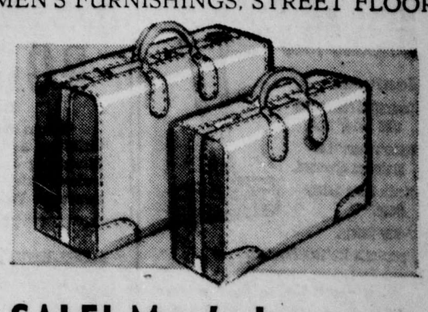
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OPINIONS

SIGNS NAME BUT FEARS FOR JOB!

Editor, Labor Journal:

This is written with a request that you print it in your paper. To start with, I have been reading your paper for several years and I have to agree with the person who signed himself "a good American." You are using the tactics that you seem to find so distasteful in the opposition.

As far as the girl who loves Harry so much I lived within twelve miles of his home town all my life and I know who started him out in politics or hasn't she heard of Boss Pendergast and the Machine in Kansas City.

And I can think of a lot of things worse than the remarks she used to call this person who happens to think differently than she, or would she rather have someone in who would whip up a good war so we could have prosperity again?

I'll probably lose my job for writing this to you but I wouldn't vote for anyone you recommend because they might operate like you by trying to scare or force everything down peoples throat. Thank God this is still a free country.

Signed, a Good American
B. Young, 1221 Cutting
Richmond, Calif.
B.S.E.I.U. Local 18

EDITOR'S NOTE: We congratulate the writer of the above letter on being the kind of an American who is willing to append his or her signature to a letter. As for the danger of a person being fired for lining up with the reactionary politicians against those endorsed by this paper, that's just absurd. Ownership and management are decidedly on the whole represented by such reactionary politicians, and a labor union member who goes along with them is in very little danger of getting fired. If the writer of the above letter IS fired for exercising the rights of an American citizen, it is the letter writer's union and East Bay Labor Journal which will make the fight for reinstatment. As for this paper following the McCarthyites' tactics, that's ridiculous. We fight steadily for civil rights, which McCarthy tramples on.

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MANLESS JOBS

Claims and dreams that workers will be replaced universally in the automatic factory of tomorrow were branded as "unadulterated rubbish" by an expert.

The debunker was Dr. L. T. Rader, general manager of General Electric Company's specialty control department. He said during a Chicago Edison Electric Institute meeting that electronic "wonder" machines are steadily cutting down the amount of arduous and monotonous labor that must be done manually and that eventually, the machines may eliminate it entirely.

But he declared that the need for some higher skills actually will be increased by automation as far ahead as man can now see. Dr. Rader speaks with some authority. General Electric is in the forefront among factory automation machinery makers.—New York Times.

Editorials

GOODY'S GOLD BANDWAGON

Goody Knight is whooping up the idea that you might as well vote for him because he's sure to win.

The reactionary labor-hater told one gathering of his faithful this week that he's got the Democratic nomination pretty well cinched as well as the Republican, if the faithful will just get out and line up the "20 percent of the voters yet undecided."

From the outset Goody's campaign as directed by Whitaker & Baxter, the expert publicity agents for the big interests, has had two main arguments: 1. That more money is back of Goody than is back of Richard Graves, the Democratic candidate; 2. That Goody is bound to win anyway, so why not get on the gold bandwagon and ride to victory?

The faction of the AFL in this State which was cozened by the Whitaker & Baxter arguments seems to have been tremendously impressed by both the money shout and the sure-to-win scream. Why rebel against money and fate? That was the psychological basis under the rhetorical flourishes about being "practical, realistic," etc.

The AFL faction dedicated to Goody must greatly enjoy reading the editorials in the Hearst press pouring scorn on Graves for having less money on his side, fewer multimillionaires. It must be especially delightful for the Goody labor faction in Los Angeles to be able to read this line of argument in both the Hearst papers and the unutterably reactionary Los Angeles Times.

The strange thing about all this is that organized labor from the start has been up against this more-money sure-to-win stuff, and has always bravely brushed it aside, taking it for granted that there was bound to be more money and more confidence of being sure to win on the big interests' side than on labor's side.

Certainly on the economic battlefield when Samuel Gompers entered the fray, and the men, too, who were still earlier than Gompers, the leaders of labor had no gold bandwagons to ride, did not appeal to the workers to go along with the huge industrial combines which then would seemingly crush their workers down forever. No. Men were urged to pitch in and fight for what they believed in, not just tamely to be "practical and realistic" and join the sure-to-winners!

On the economic battlefield labor has won by attending to its own interests, not by cowardly "practical and realistic" subservience to the big interests. There is nothing genuinely practical or realistic about abandoning on the political field this policy of commonsense and courage which has served us so well on the economic battlefield.

We believe that Graves can become Governor if those who are for the interest of labor rather than for the big interests will pitch in and work hard during the short time before the primary election of June 8. But win or lose, we're proud of being on the side of labor's political liberalism and civilized decency rather than sitting up there in the rear seat of a gold bandwagon labeled "Sure to Win."

Yorty Tells Signs of Demo's Victory

Congressman Samuel W. Yorty, Democratic candidate for U. S. Senator, told an enthusiastic gathering here that he had observed "a heartening sign of Democratic Party unity in California and the nation" at the same time that the Republicans were being torn apart by internal squabbles.

Yorty, who spoke at a Democratic luncheon forum on May 20 in the Showboat Restaurant, credited the surge toward Democratic unity to "reckless" Republican charges against the Democrats, particularly Senator McCarthy's "20 years of treason" charge.

He added that the Republicans, since they assumed national power, have been aiding the Democrats by alienating farmers, workers and the public in general.

Among the reasons that the Republicans are alienating the affections of the public, Yorty listed 1. "their 100 percent farm parity talk" which they're not following through, 2. "their belief that it's a good thing for the country to have several millions unemployed," 3. "their befuddled foreign policy", and 4. "the disgraceful McCarthy-Army barroom brawl."

He said that California deserved better representatives than the Knight-Knowland-Kuchel "disunited" team.

Yorty received a standing round of applause when he concluded, "It's about time we had someone to speak for us in the U. S. Senate and I hope to be able to do so next year."

BILL ELLIOTT, of Carmen's Division 192, received the congratulations of his brother unionists on being named the driver of the month.

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Adult School Forum

Former U. S. Ambassador, Maxwell Hamilton, wil speak on "Japan —Its Place in Asia" at the final session of the Technical Adult School Forum on June 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Claremont Junior High School Auditorium, 5750 College Avenue, Oakland.

MR. AND MRS. HENRY FONG, he's a member of Carmen's Division 192, welcomed their sixth child born May 5.

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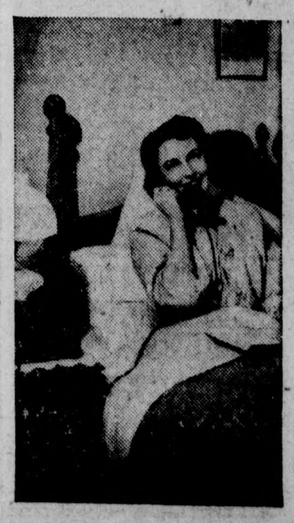
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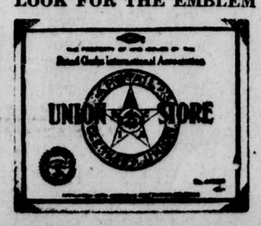
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